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Mr. Graham Knopp GK Environmental, LLC P.O. Box 1310 Hilo, Hawaii 96727

Dear Mr. Knopp:

Subject:

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice

Land Use District Boundary Amendment Conservation to Agriculture

Pu'u Kaliu Quarry

Hawaii, Puna, TMK: (3) 1-3-009: 005 (por)

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The applicant, Sanford's Service Center, proposes to amend land use boundary for 94.107 acres of a 694.5 acre parcel from Conservation to Agriculture. The applicant currently operates a quarry on about 73 acres of the petition area. This action is intended to make the land use designation consistent with actual existing operations on the land and allow continued quarrying operations.

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is to be prepared because the proposed amendment would convert Conservation lands to a different land use (Agriculture). The State Land Use Commission is the approving agency for the EIS.

The Hawaii Department of Transportation (HDOT) has the following comments:

- The proposed land use action is not anticipated to have a significant impact to our State highway facilities.
- 2. HDOT wishes to review the EIS and its traffic study. Sanford is expected to construct any recommended improvements, if any, at no cost to the State.

If there are any questions, please contact Ken Tatsuguchi, Engineering Program Manager, Highways Planning Branch, at (808) 587-1830 or via email at ken.tatsuguchi@hawaii.gov. Please reference file review number: 2019-085.

Sincerely

JADE T. BUTAY Director of Transportation

c: Daniel Orodenker, State Land Use Commission